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1842

Old Miller Place
south side of Lyons Mill Road,
west of Mt. Paran Church
Harrisonville

This two-story frame house, covered with clapboard, is five bays wide with a gable roof, and is painted white. The house was built in a vernacular style by John Shade Miller, who came here c. 1842 from Manchester to construct a parsonage for the minister at Mt. Paran, the Rev. Robert Brackenridge. The congregation was unable to pay for the house, and the Millers bought it. It was shown as J.S. Miller's in the 1877 atlas. Later, it was owned by Mrs. Julia McSweeney Miller, who complained of the narrowness of the study designed for Mr. Brackenridge. The house also has an entry porch, a box hallway, and a spiral stairway. The house dimensions were 41 x 21 feet when charged to W. Clayton Jean in the 1918 tax ledger. A frame stable survives on the property, which is currently owned by Edmund O. Schaffer.

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| 1. STATE Maryland COUNTY Baltimore TOWN Harrisonville VICINITY Dist. II STREET NO. _____ ORIGINAL OWNER _____ ORIGINAL USE _____ PRESENT OWNER _____ PRESENT USE _____ WALL CONSTRUCTION _____ NO. OF STORIES _____ | | HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY INVENTORY BA-21 | |
| | | 2. NAME Old Miller Place DATE OR PERIOD 1842 STYLE _____ ARCHITECT _____ BUILDER _____ | |
| | | 3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE _____ | |
| 4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION OPEN TO PUBLIC <p style="text-align: center;"> Frame house built for Robert Breckenridge, a famous Presbyterian divine, briefly pastor at Mt. Paran. Once contained a circular stairway. Renovated. </p> | | | |
| 5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE Endangered Interior Exterior | | | |
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| 6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional) | | 7. PHOTOGRAPH | |
| 8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages) INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC. | | 9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER (First HABS Report) E. Frances Offutt HABS COMMITTEE OF BALTIMORE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY DATE OF RECORD July 29, 1965 | |

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